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Comments:

Examiner Jones,

Please find attached hereto the following documents for the above-identified application:

1. RCE;
2. Petition for One-Month Extension of Time; and
3. Two Credit Card Payment forms.

Respectfully submitted,



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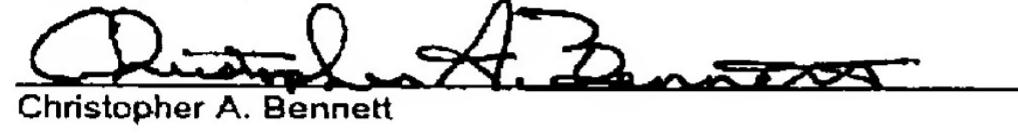
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| Applicant: Yasuhiro TANAKA | Art Unit: 2817 |
| Serial No.: 09/931,685 | |
| Filed: August 16, 2001 | Examiner: S. Jones |
| Title: CENTER ELECTRODE ASSEMBLY AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREFOR, NONRECIPROCAL CIRCUIT DEVICE AND COMMUNICATION APPARATUS USING THE SAME | |

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated January 8, 2004, or until May 8, 2004.

Enclosed is a Credit Card Payment form for \$110.00 to pay the one-month extension fee in accordance with Rule 1.17(a)(1).

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The Commissioner of Patents is authorized to charge any amount due, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1353.

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